



# STATE OF NEVADA

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## DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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### NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION

The Administrator, Division of Environmental Protection, Carson City, Nevada is issuing the following notice of proposed action under the Nevada Revised Statutes and/or the Clean Water Act, where applicable. The Administrator has received an application for a Groundwater Discharge, permit number NS0080011 from the following applicant:

CITY OF FERNLEY PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT  
595 SILVER LACE BLVD  
FERNLEY, NV - 89408

#### **Permit NS0080011, EAST WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT:**

The City of Fernley owns and operates the East Wastewater Treatment Plant (EWTP), a partial mix facultative pond wastewater treatment plant designed to treat a maximum flow of 3.05 million gallons per day (MGD). EWTP receives domestic, commercial, and industrial wastewater from approximately 7,500 service connections. The treatment plant, which is located four miles east of downtown Fernley, includes two lift stations (one with an automated bar screen and grit removal channel), an influent splitting box, three 2-cell aerated 60-mil HDPE lined treatment ponds, one 60-mil HDPE lined storage pond, a disinfection building, and seven rapid infiltration basins (RIBs). Reuse Category D treated effluent is discharged over a cascading aeration structure to the Fernley Wildlife Management Area for wetland preservation. Alternatively, non-disinfected treated effluent may be discharged to the storage pond or to the RIBs.

On the basis of preliminary review of the requirements of the Nevada Revised Statutes, as amended, and implementing regulations, the Administrator proposes to issue Permit NS0080011 to discharge for a five (5) year period, subject to certain effluent limitations.

Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed determinations by the Administrator regarding permit issuance, or request a hearing pursuant to the Nevada Administrative Code, Water Pollution Control, should submit their comments or request, in writing, within thirty (30) days of the date of newspaper publication, hand delivered or postmarked no later than 5:00 P.M. on 04/26/2013, either in person or by mail to:

Department of Conservation and Natural Resources  
Division of Environmental Protection  
Bureau of Water Pollution Control  
901 South Stewart Street, Suite 4001  
Carson City, NV 89701

The request must be filed within the comment period and must indicate the interest of the person filing the request and the reasons why a hearing is warranted. All comments or objections received within the thirty (30) day period will be considered in the formulation of final determination(s) regarding the application. If written comments indicate a significant degree of public interest in the proposed permit, the Administrator shall hold a public hearing. A public notice of such hearing will be issued not less than thirty (30) days prior to the hearing date.

If no hearing is held and the determinations of the Administrator are substantially changed from the tentative determinations, the Administrator will give public notice of the revised determinations. Additional comments and objections will be considered at that time.

The applications, proposed permits, comments received, and other information are on file and may be copied or copies may be obtained by writing to the above address or by contacting Arthur Marr III, Bureau of Water Pollution Control, at (775) 687-9432 or at [amarr@ndep.nv.gov](mailto:amarr@ndep.nv.gov). The office facsimile number is (775) 687-4684. For further information, the fact sheet for this project can be viewed at the

following website: <http://ndep.nv.gov/admin/public.htm>.

Please bring the forgoing notice to the attention of all persons whom you know would be interested in this matter.